

HMB In Annual Meeting

By Dallas M. Lee
ATLANTA (BP) — The Southern Baptist Home Mission Board officially expressed hope here that the American Baptist Convention will reconsider its decision not to participate in a hemisphere-wide evangelistic endeavor.

Baptists from North and South America will conduct a year-long evangelism emphasis in 1969 called the Crusade of the Americas.

The Southern Baptist agency, acting at the conclusion of

its annual session here, expressed regret that the General Council of the American Baptist Convention decided early in November to veto participation in the crusade.

The board asked Executive Secretary Arthur B. Rutledge and Evangelism Director C. E. Autrey to work with Southern Baptist crusade committees to encourage American Baptists to reconsider this action.

In other action, the board approved a record \$12.1 million budget and officially des-

ignated big cities as the No. 1 mission target.

The 1967 budget includes \$175,000 in salary increases for the board's 2,200 missionaries.

Board members also adopted 14 long-range guidelines, one pinpointing cities to receive the major missions thrust, another citing evangelism as the heart of that thrust.

Another guideline stated that the interest of the Home Mission Board shall be in

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IN TOP PHOTO members of the State Convention Board are seen in front of chapel of First Baptist Church in Jackson where post-convention session was held Nov. 29. Second picture shows new officers and Executive Committee elected. Exec. Committee met soon afterwards and elected officers. From left, (seated) Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive sec-treas. (ex-officio); Dr. Lavon Moore, Pontotoc, recording secretary Exec. Com.; Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, Jackson, chairman Exec. Com.; Dr. Bob N. Ramsay, Brookhaven, vice-chairman Exec. Com. (Standing): Rev. D. C. Applegate, Starkville, president Board; Dr. John W. Flowers, Senatobia, Exec. Com.; Rev. Joseph N. Triplett, Newton, recording sec. Board; C. E. Kirk, Indianola, Exec. Com.; Rev. James B. Riley, Magnolia, Exec. Com.; Dr. John G. McCall, Vicksburg, vice-president Board; Claude Townsend, Florence, convention president (ex-officio) and Arthur L. Nelson, business manager.

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'Separation' Engages States

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Southern Baptists, on the state-wide level where basic decisions are made, leaped strongly away from federal aid to their institutions, if the actions of numerous state Baptist conventions meeting in November are a true indication.

Six Baptist state conventions adopted policy statements on the federal aid question, and all six unanimously rejected government grants for Baptist institutions.

On federal loans, however, there was no unanimity.

Three conventions adopted policy statements approving federal loans, one re-opened the door for its institutions' trustees to consider federal loans, and four conventions staunchly rejected federal

loans.

How can these actions be interpreted? Why were the actions taken? What will be the long-range effects of the actions?

In six states, lengthy reports outlining comprehensive policies on federal aid were presented by study committees which have dug deep into the matter for the past year.

All six, Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas, Florida, Arizona and Mississippi, saw acceptance of federal grants as a violation of separation of church and state.

The question of federal loans is even more complex on a state-by-state analysis. The study committees in Texas and Mississippi, and the Executive Committee of the Georgia convention, each recommended that, with cer-

tain restrictions and qualifications, federal loans be accepted; but the conventions overturned the committee recommendations and flatly rejected even government loans.

The Arizona convention approved a committee report instructing its institutions to reject all types of government funds "except for services rendered."

In stark contrast to these actions, the Arkansas, Louisiana, and Florida conventions approved without major debate their committee recommendations approving of federal loans, provided the trustees of the institutions saw no problems of government control.

The Kentucky convention, which in a special called session on June 27 had denied

federal loans, reversed its earlier decision by approving a motion that gives the trustees the authority to decide on the matter. The motion was made by Georgetown College President Robert Mills who said his school would consider federal loans if the motion was approved, reaffirming a 1949 policy which leaves such matters up to the trustees.

The Arkansas Convention also voted to relinquish ownership of the Arkansas Baptist Medical Center in Little Rock to a private association so that the hospital could accept federal grants. In a somewhat similar action, Missouri Baptists recognized "the independent status" of Missouri Baptist Hospital in St. Louis, which technically is not a convention-owned institution but its trustees had been approved (but not elected) by the convention.

Although no policy statements were adopted, the California convention reaffirmed opposition to the acceptance of tax money to support any Southern Baptist institution, and Virginia Baptists commended their institutions for "continued refusal to accept federal or state subsidies."

New Mexico and Michigan conventions, neither of which operate or own institutions, adopted resolutions reaffirming belief in separation of church and state, and opposing use of federal funds in general by religious institutions.

The South Carolina Convention, which is in the midst of a two-year committee study on the issue, did not take any official action on federal aid, although it was announced that the committee would bring its recommendations to the 1967 convention. The Florida and Arkansas conventions are also continuing their

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Baptist Students Challenged



CHARLES MULLER, Jackson, who directed the Gilroy School of Nursing choir in special music Saturday noon, goes over score with two choir members. From left: Betty Baker and Linda Sharp with Glenda Bond at the instrument.



ARTHUR DRISCOLL, associate in Student Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, conference leader, discusses conference with two MC students, Pat Summers (left) and Peggy Gault.



SEVERAL LEADERS at Student Convention take a moment between sessions for fellowship. From left: Rev. Ralph B. Winters, state student director; Nina Byrd, (MSBW) vice-president of convention; Miss Marion Leavell, student director at Ole Miss; Rev. Leon Young, host missions superintendent; Dr. Bob Simmons, host pastor, and Rusty McIntire, MC student and convention music director.

"In areas of morality, race, war, peace and others, the Christian religion gives insight and help," Dr. Kenneth L. Chafin, of Louisville, Ky., told the State Baptist Student Convention Saturday of last week in its meeting at the Fifteenth Avenue Baptist Church in Meridian.

Speaking on "Where The Action Is," Dr. Chafin, professor of evangelism at Southern Baptist Seminary, continued:

"The most exciting life in the world is to be a follower of Jesus Christ and to attempt to apply His teachings where the action is.

"Many live with the mistaken notion that the Gospel of Jesus Christ can be effective only with stained glass windows for props. Not so. The Gospel was born when God came into a real world, with the offer of real life.

"Before a Christian faces his own attitudes on race relations he needs to realize several things. Racism is not just a 20th century problem. It is not just a problem for America. It is not just a problem located in the South. It is not limited to white people. It is not just a political problem. It is more than racial. It is social, economic and cultural.

"Several things have made the so-called 'new morality' popular. First, it reflects the whole spirit of the times. It involves more than sex, but

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Henry To Deliver Lecture Series At N. O. Seminary

NEW ORLEANS — Dr. Carl F. H. Henry, editor of Christianity Today and chairman of the World Congress of Evangelism which recently met in West Berlin, will deliver the annual Evangelism Lectures at the New Orleans Seminary, December 7-9.

The series of these lectures will be held each morning at 9:30 a. m. in the Roland Q. Leavell Chapel.

The Berlin conference, which lasted for ten days, was attended by over 1200 church leaders from every evangelical group in the world.

Dr. Henry received a B. A. and M. A. degrees from Wheaton College, his B. D. and Th. D. degrees from Northern Baptist Theological Seminary in Chicago and his Ph. D. degree from Boston University. He has also studied at Loyola University, Indiana University and New College, Edinburgh.

This is the first speaking engagement Dr. Henry has made since the Berlin conference which was held Oct. 26-Nov. 4.

Protestant Giving In Canada And U.S. Hits New High Record

NEW YORK (RNS)—Total church giving by members of 44 U.S. and Canadian Protestant and Anglican denominations reached a record \$3,300,996,291 in the 1965 fiscal year, the National Council of Churches reported.

The NCC's Commission on Stewardship and Benevolence said the 1965 total in its annual "Statistics of Church Finances" represented the highest figure ever reported in the 45 years since the compilation has been made.

Last year the commission reported that contributions to 41 denominations totalled nearly \$3 billion in 1964.

Of the 1965 grand total, 36 U. S. denominations received 73,172,114,782 for all purposes, passing the \$3 billion mark for the first time. Six Canadian church bodies received 6128,881,509.

The U. S. total was divided —\$569,589,195 for benevolences such as home and foreign missions and overseas relief, a per capita figure of \$14.03; and \$2.6 billion for congregational expenses, a per capita of \$63.72.

Average per capita giving for all purposes rose from \$72.04 in 1964 to \$77.75 in 1965.

NCC commission officers, interpreting these financial statistics, cautioned against drawing hasty conclusions from comparisons between totals for 1964 and 1965. They pointed out that the figures "are not absolute, but indicative only."

It also was noted that only 44 denominations were reported out of 250 listed in the 1966 Yearbook of American Churches, published by the NCC.

Last year's total church

contributions, the commission said, were obviously much higher than the figure reported. "The report was only partial, designed for the guidance of denominational leadership," the commission said, adding "it would appear that giving in fiscal 1965 has substantially increased over previous years."

In denominational per capi-

ta giving, the Wesleyan Methodist Church, with a 39,114 membership, led all the reported American church bodies with \$290.48. However, the Free Methodist Church which has been first in per member giving in the last several years was not reported in the 1965 statistics. In 1964 the Free Methodist per capita

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COMMITMENT URGED IN SOUL-WINNING

The churches of the convention are being urged now to prepare for Soul - Winning Commitment Day to be held Jan. 8, according to Dr. Gordon Sansing, Secretary of Evangelism.

Materials have been mailed to pastors, education directors and superintendents of missions which offer suggestions for the observance. This brochure was prepared by Dr. Jack Stanton of the Evangelism Division of the Home Mission Board. Every pastor and church is urged to prayerfully prepare for this observance on January 8 or on whatever day is more convenient.

Included in this mail-out was a copy of "The Pastor's Guide" for use in training those who commit themselves to try to win souls to Christ. Dr. C. E. Autrey, Director of the Division of Evangelism of the Home Mission Board is the author.

It is suggested that the three Wednesday evenings following Soul - Winning Commitment Day be used for

these training sessions. The reason for these training sessions is that many of our people do not know how to win others to Christ. To commit them without training them is to fall short of the intended purpose.

Recently, in one of the training Conferences for associational chairmen of evangelism and superintendents of missions, a participant asked, "What would happen if we put as much effort into getting ready for Soul-Winning Commitment Day as we do for Stewardship Commitment Day?"

Sees Challenge
As one who believes in stewardship training and commitment, this struck me as a challenge to give more earnest effort to committing Christians to do soul-winning and training them for the task, Dr. Sansing said. Continuing, he declared:

"What a difference this could make in our baptism record next year if our pastors gave effective leadership and if church leaders would cooperate with them in preparing for Soul-Winning Commitment Day.

"Personal witnessing has never been more urgent than now. It is estimated that only about 3% of the unsaved in America attend church services of any sort. Many of these people will die without ever being saved unless we determine to win them. This should be the burden of our prayers and the call to a thrilling service."

Mother Of Baker Cauthen Dies

Mrs. J. S. Cauthen, mother of Dr. Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, died Saturday morning, December 3, in Lufkin, Tex.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon, December 5, in First Baptist Church, Lufkin. Mrs. Cauthen is survived by another son, J. B. Cauthen, also of Lufkin.

Separation Issue Debated

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Reasons Given

In order to understand the actions of the conventions, the underlying and primary reasons for the actions must be taken into consideration.

In almost all of the state conventions, there seemed to be a ground-swell of public opinion among the rank and file of Baptists, who ultimately control the policies, against accepting any type of federal aid which might violate the principle of separation of church and state.

The problem is in the difference of interpretation concerning what types of aid are violations of that principle and what types are not violations.

Some observers believe that the church-state actions were prompted by a sincere desire to adhere to the constitutional principle.

Others, however, believe that opposition to federal aid stems from an anti-government, anti-L. B. J. backlash, and that many Baptists who oppose federal aid do so because they oppose the government's program, which now offers more than 300 different programs of aid to public and church-related institutions.

Some fear the government will seek to control the schools and hospitals if they accept federal aid. They acknowledge the fact that the government already controls them to a certain extent, but fear more rigid controls in the future if aid is accepted.

Such was the case in the Mississippi convention, which voted 604-380 to reject its committee recommendations in favor of a vaguely worded statement which suggested that its institutions "not make application for or accept federal money."

One Mississippi convention messenger commented to a visitor that the debate was all on the high and lofty level of the principle of church-state separation, but that everybody knew deep down under the surface was the fear that Mississippi Baptist schools would have to integrate if they accepted federal funds. Only one Mississippi school has signed the Civil Rights compliance regulations, while three others have refused to sign.

Although the race issue seemed to be a factor in the Mississippi decision, it did not seem to be as prevalent in the other states which dealt with the federal aid question. Almost all of the Baptist schools in the other states have signed the Civil Rights Act compliance requirement, and most of them are already integrated.

Another factor in the actions mentioned by observers in the general conservatism among Baptists, and a reluctance to accept change. Many Baptists believe that the denomination has always stood for complete separation of church and state, and they do not want to change this stance.

What conclusions can be drawn from the actions of the conventions, and what will be the long-range effects?

First, the problem is far from being solved, even though six conventions have spelled out their policies on the federal aid issue.

Continued discussion can be expected on the question in South Carolina, North Carolina, and Alabama, which didn't deal with the thorny problem at all this year.

Kentucky and Mississippi may find difficulties in interpreting the action of their conventions, as to the specific meaning on what types of federal aid can and cannot be accepted.

Second, the states which denied all types of federal aid to their institutions will continue to hear from their trustees and administrators groans and pleas for more financial support to fill in the gap caused by denial of federal funds.

This raises the question of whether Baptists, in groundswell opposition to federal aid, will respond with a ground-swell of financial support for their institutions. Bluntly stated: will they put their money where their mouth is?

Actions similar to the vote in Kentucky last June to allocate \$200,000 a year to their schools to take the place of federal loans denied, and the vote of the South Carolina convention a year ago to raise

\$611,898 to replace a federal grant denied to Furman, may face other conventions in the future. So far, South Carolina has raised only about \$280,000 of its goal, and is allocating \$150,000 a year in its budget to replace this money.

Third, the institutions without federal aid will find it increasingly difficult to compete with other institutions which receive it. This faces both the schools and the hospitals alike, and the problem for both will be acute.

Institutions Affected
Regardless of whether federal aid is accepted or rejected, the institutions will be directly affected by the federal aid that goes to competing institutions. The quality of services offered by institutions which accept federal aid is sure to increase, and standards will be raised even for those institutions which do not accept federal funds.

Fourth, the conventions face anew the question of determining what kind of institutions they will own and operate in a new day in which federal money is offered so lavishly.

The purposes and objectives of the institutions should be defined, although only one convention, Louisiana, specifically asked its trustees to do this. Whether this will be done in other states remains to be seen. Perhaps the current Baptist Education Study Task, (BEST) of the SBC will help answer this question in 1967.

Fifth, a precedent has been set in the Arkansas action which other convention may follow in deciding to release ownership of their institutions so they can accept federal aid without feeling that the convention has compromised a principle. This action could not be called a trend, but it is a precedent.

Sixth, the question of the degree of control conventions should exert over their institutions has been raised. In some cases, such as Louisiana and Kentucky, the conventions said the control of policies for the trustees.

Some educators fear that a problem of accreditation may be raised in states where actual operating policies are determined by convention messengers, rather than by the

trustees. And if a school loses its accreditation, the problem of competing with other institutions is even more acute.

Seventh, the problem of communication between the institutions' leaders, who see the daily terror of increasing financial burdens, and the rank-and-file Baptists, who fear any federal aid would violate a sacred principle, is getting little better.

Each group sincerely wants to communicate its concepts and ideas to the other, yet the problem of communication is still there.

The questions, and the problems, will be a long time in finding answers and solutions, if the actions of the state conventions in November are a true indication.

Correction

In its report on the Convention the Baptist Record made an error in the report of the Church-State motion which was adopted. The second paragraph should have read "We suggest that our institutions not make application for or accept any federal money." In the report the word "any" was inadvertently omitted.

Administration Conference To Be Feb. 13-16

NEW ORLEANS—A Southern Baptist Administration Conference for church staffs and lay leaders will be held on the New Orleans Seminary campus February 13-16, 1967.

Dr. James L. Sullivan, Sunday School Board executive secretary, and several other denominational and national business leaders will lecture and direct personal interest conferences during the four-day meeting.

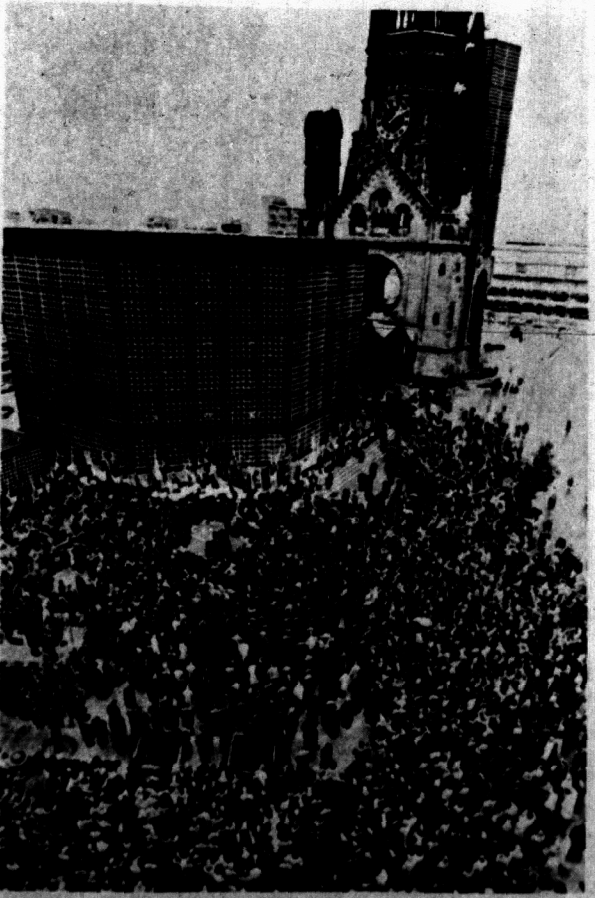
General subject areas are organization and staff administration, leadership development and church public relations. Lectures, small group discussions and personal problem-solving sessions will be held in each subject area.

Today well-lived... makes every tomorrow a vision of hope.—Anonymous.

Meridian Pastors Pledge Support To City's Football Team, Coach

The Meridian High Wildcat Football team is Number One in the state. Meridian and Lauderdale County are therefore receiving widespread favorable publicity. Coach Tyler and his effective staff "have in one year lifted Meridian from the common place to the pinnacle of the sports world." And Meridian is justifiably proud of the emergence of their team as a state football power again.

The Baptist Pastors' Conference of Lauderdale County, numbering 44 men, has adopted a resolution to "go on record as applauding this signal achievement in the area, and commending Coach Tyler for his effective Christian witness both on the field of action, during the practice sessions, and in the world in general, and pledging to him and his associates their continued support, prayers, and good will as an expression of their deepest appreciation for the continuing Christian principles he is instilling in the hearts and minds of Meridian's finest young men."



REFORMATION DAY RALLY IN BERLIN—BERLIN—Some 10,000 persons attended a Reformation Day rally at Kaiser Wilhelm Memorial church in downtown West Berlin during the World Congress on Evangelism. (RNS Photo)



INTERNATIONAL HOUSEPARTY HELD

Students from several countries attending colleges in the state were present for the annual International Houseparty held Nov. 24-26 at Camp Garaywa, sponsored by the WMU and Student Work departments. In top photo the host family from Jackson is seen. From left: Dr. George Purvis, Mrs. Purvis, George III, John, Mitchell, Joe and Miss Robinson, WMU secretary. In second picture Rev. Ralph B. Winders, student director, is seen with two students in front of a display of flags. From left: Mr. Winders, Mahammad Khara, of Palestine, Ole Miss student and Toson Awad, of Egypt, Miss. State. In lower photo a Mississippi State student, Ruby Londono, of Colombia, engages speakers in conversation in front of dining hall. From left: Miss Londono; Dr. Margaret M. Brand, chief ophthalmology service, Public Health Service Hospital, Carville, La.; Dr. Paul Brand, medical officer in charge of same hospital and Dr. Page H. Kelley, professor of Old Testament Interpretation, Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky.



KENTUCKY CONVENTION—

Re-Opens Loans Question

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. (BP)—The question of federal loans to Kentucky Baptists schools was re-opened here at the Kentucky Baptist Convention only five months after a special called convention had adopted policy restrictions which denied loans from federal sources.

Messengers to the 129th annual convention also approved a motion instructing the denominational cooperation committee of the convention to investigate the possibility of merger with a Negro Baptist group in the state—the General Association of Baptists in Kentucky.

Earlier, the convention's Executive Board had voted to create a department of inter-racial cooperation, effective Jan. 1, 1967. Actual union with the Kentucky Negro Baptist group is considered to be many years away. First step is study of the possibility.

Overwhelmingly approved was a motion by Georgetown College President Robert L. Mills to reaffirm a 1949 policy placing operation of Kentucky Baptist institutions in the hands of the trustees.

In effect, the motion may open the way for the trustees of Kentucky Baptist schools to borrow from federal sources if they so desire.

In introducing the motion, Mills stated that Georgetown College would consider accepting government loans if the motion was approved.

On June 27, a special called session of the Kentucky Baptist Convention had specifically instructed the Kentucky Baptist schools not to accept government loans and approved a budget increase of \$300,000 per year for Baptist schools in the state.

Mills urged "reaffirmation of faith and confidence" in the trustees and college administrators. He said that Georgetown had financed two dormitories with federal loans in previous years and "no government interference" has resulted.

The motion instructing the denominational cooperation committee to investigate and report next year on the possibilities of merging the white and Negro Baptist groups in Kentucky came as a spontaneous movement by Louisville pastor Tom Pearce following earlier announcements on two developments in relationship between white and Negro Baptists in Kentucky.

Announcement was made that the Executive Board of the convention had voted to establish a department of

inter-racial cooperation, and that a joint session of the white and Negro Baptist bodies would be held in 1967 in Louisville.

In another session, the convention approved a statement on race relations from its public affairs committee saying Baptist churches need a double portion of spiritual insight and courage in dealing with the race issue because of tensions caused by race riots and cries for Black Power.

The statement said that 1966 was "a crucial turning point in the American struggle for racial equality," and added

"the emotional atmosphere has grown more tense, and the shriek for 'power,' be it black or white, is making it all the harder for the voice of justice and love to be heard."

"The Christian realities of compassion for the hungry and thirsty and imprisoned, and opposition to all forms of hatred and prejudice have not changed," said the resolution. "It will be more difficult to act redemptively today in the area of race, but this only means the needs are greater and the challenge is more imperative."

LUNG CANCER RARE AMONG NON-SMOKING ADVENTISTS

LOMA LINDA, Calif. (RNS)

—Fatal incidence of lung cancer among Seventh-day Adventists, whose abstinence from tobacco is required by their religion, occurs only one-sixth as often as it does in the general population.

This was the major finding of a five-year study supported by the United States Public Health Service and the American Cancer Society.

The study was conducted by the Loma Linda School of Medicine, a fully accredited medical school maintained by Seventh-day Adventists here. It was reported in the Journal of the American Medical

Association. Death rate among Adventists for all respiratory diseases was one-third that among the population as a whole.

The basis of the study, conducted by two Adventist physicians, Dr. Frank R. Lemon and Dr. Richard T. Walden, was a comparison of the mortality rate among 11,071 male Adventists in California and that of the total male population in the state.

Use of the Adventist group as a control was said to be significant because of the rigid proscription against smoking held by the denomination.

BMC CHORUS TO SING ON TELEVISION

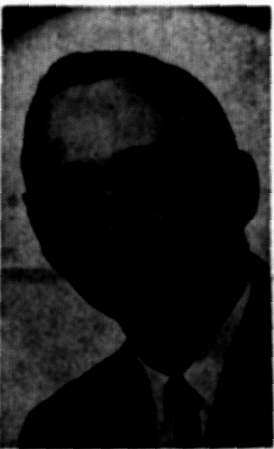
On Monday afternoon, December 12, from 1-1:30 p. m., all friends of Blue Mountain College will be interested to learn that the Blue Mountain College Chorus will sing Christmas Carols for 28 minutes over Television Station WTUV, Channel 9, Tupelo, by invitation and special arrangement of the Educational Television Committee of the Station. More than 10,000 children and older students may avail themselves of the opportunity of viewing and listening to the Blue Mountain College Chorus.

Dr. Brooks Haynes, Chairman of the Department of Music of Blue Mountain College, has announced that the annual Christmas Music Program, will be presented by the Blue Mountain Chorus on Sunday, December 11, at 7:30 p. m. in Modena Lowrey Berry Auditorium.

The Christmas Music Program will be the regular evening worship service of Lowrey Memorial Church. The pastor, Rev. Bill R. Peacock, will read the Scripture passages appropriately chosen for the Christmas Music.

Organ and piano accompaniment will be rendered by Edward Ludlow, organist, and Melvin G. Alford, pianist, of the music faculty of the college.

A man who had been the pilot of a boat on the Mississippi River for thirty-five years was asked, "I suppose you know where all the rocks and sand banks are?" The pilot replied, "No, but I know where the deep water is." —Lionel T. Jones, quoted in THE QUIET CORNER (Revell)



Paul Roaten

Brookhaven Calls Youth Minister

First Church, Brookhaven, has called Rev. Paul Roaten of New Orleans to serve as youth minister and assistant to the pastor.

Mr. Roaten, a native of Tupelo, graduated from Blue Mountain College with a B.A. degree and from New Orleans Seminary with a B.D. degree.

He has pastored churches in Mississippi and Louisiana and has served as assistant superintendent of the Baptist Rescue Mission in New Orleans. He comes to Brookhaven from the Vieux Carre Church in New Orleans where he was serving as pastor.

Roaten is married to the former Betty Marbury of Brownsville, Tenn. They have one daughter, Lois Ann, one year old.

Dr. Bob N. Ramsay is pastor of First, Brookhaven.



783 Professions Of Faith Made In Guyana

STANDING-ROOM-ONLY CROWDS, responding to an intensive publicity campaign, filled a tent set up in Bourda Green, in the center of Georgetown, Guyana, for nightly meetings of an "Impact Revival" sponsored by Baptists of Guyana. The evangelistic effort, which also extended to villages in the interior of Guyana, resulted in 783 professions of faith in Christ by persons representing every strata of the Guyanese population. (Photo by Julian C. Bridges)

CAUTHEN REPORTS— Missionaries Serve Bravely In Vietnam

Dr. Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, returned to the States November 7 after a three-week trip to Orient countries, including Vietnam, where he says he found missionaries more vexed by the problems of runaway inflation than by the danger of war.

His trip was the subject of his report to the Board in its regular monthly meeting November 10.

Dr. Cauthen and Dr. Winston Crawley, the Board's secretary for the Orient, spent two days in Vietnam, where they met with missionaries and with U. S. chaplains. On Sunday evening, October 30, Dr. Cauthen preached to U. S. servicemen in the English-language Baptist church in Saigon. "During the worship service the noise of gunfire could be heard in the distance, and on the way home we could see flares being dropped from helicopters to light up the area and spot Viet Cong intruders," he said. "At times snipers fire upon people in traffic and acts of terror are perpetrated. In the midst of these circumstances the missionaries are going bravely along with their duties."

"Skyrocketing prices have produced a heavy burden on the missionaries as they seek to make the most of the funds entrusted to them."

Dr. Cauthen also made a brief visit to Da Nang, Vietnam, where two missionary families were caught in the midst of civil strife last spring. "These families are now enjoying opportunities for steadily growing work," Dr. Cauthen reported. "We were happy to visit the worship center they are developing and to realize the vast amount of good being done."

Dr. Cauthen and Dr. Crawley also visited East Pakistan, a difficult country for Christian mission work.

Dr. Cauthen participated in the dedication of the new seven-story building of Hong Kong Baptist College (the 10-year-old school was formerly housed in borrowed quarters) and in the formal opening of a Baptist social service center in one of Hong Kong's large housing developments.

"The impressive thing about Baptist work in Hong Kong is that it represents the initiative of Chinese churches and leaders," Dr. Cauthen commented. "Our missionary efforts have been to reinforce them and strengthen them."

New Day In Indonesia
Other countries Dr. Cauthen visited are Japan, Malaysia, Singapore, Thailand, and Indonesia.

"In Indonesia a new day is being experienced following the dangerous period in which the country nearly fell under communist power last year," he said. "Missionaries would have been in extreme danger if that development had succeeded. The dramatic story of a mob approaching the Kediri Baptist Hospital to burn it, only to turn back when confronted by Missionary Kathleen Jones at the doorway, is one of the thrilling experiences that will abide in the annals of missionary courage."

Missionaries Assist Refugees
Dr. H. Cornell Goerner, secretary for Africa, reported to the Board on conditions in Nigeria, where hundreds of people were killed when age-old tribal strife flared up in early October.

"The situation continues to be tense and uncertain," he said. "We have no accurate report of how many Baptist church members were killed, but we do know that Baptist work has been seriously affected."

"Thus far there is no report of any harm suffered by our missionaries. Many have had frightening experiences. Some have risked their lives protecting Africans, and others have ministered unselfishly in refugee work."

In October the Board appropriated \$10,000 for relief work in Nigeria. Dr. Goerner said much of this money is being spent in eastern Nigeria, where hordes of refugees have fled from the northern region.

Aviation Funds Appropriated
The Board's November ac-

tions included the appropriation of \$106,701 for work around the world. Among the many small allocations was \$4,000 for a new motor and complete overhaul of a small airplane which has been donated to the missionaries in East Africa for use in evangelism in remote areas. Rev. Charles E. Evans (of Dearing, Ga., missionary stationed in Kitale, Kenya, will pilot the craft. And \$650 was appropriated for advanced flight training for Rev. J. Daniel Luper (now on furlough in Fort Worth, Tex.), missionary who has been piloting in Equatorial Brazil for 13 years.

Temple, Jackson Calls Pastor

Rev. Howard Scarborough, pastor of Williamsville church, at Williamsville, has been called as the new pastor at Temple Church, Jackson. He moved to the new field December 6.

The new Temple pastor has received 219 members during his present pastorage, over 100 of these by baptism. He has served in various places of leadership in the Atlanta Association and in Kosciusko schools, where his two sons attend, one being in the 11th grade and the other in the 9th grade. Both boys are interested in the school band. Mr. Scarborough served for several years as program chairman of the Parent-Teachers Association at Kosciusko school in addition to his church work and the denominational association tasks.

Mrs. Scarborough, the former Helen Moffett of Laurel, is a musician and piano teacher.

The gifts in the church during Mr. Scarborough's tenure of service have grown almost three times what they were when he came to Williamsville. The mission gifts have grown to \$18,000 in 1965-66.

He graduated at Mississippi College and took graduate work at Mississippi Southern University in Hattiesburg. He is a native of Harrisville.

Rev. Barney Walker, Sr., has been serving as interim pastor since Dr. Raymond Herrington resigned Temple church in September. He is a former pastor of the church, and served once before as interim pastor also.

New Sacred Records

WHAT WONDROUS LOVE
—The Singing Churchmen (Word W-3554-LP)

The Singing Churchmen is a group of 36 trained music leaders who have joined their professional talents in communicating the story of Christ. They are under the direction of Jim Woodward, formerly minister of music of the First Baptist Church, Tulsa, Okla., but now at Oklahoma Baptist University. Included in the album are great hymns, popular gospel songs and spirituals. Almost all of them have special arrangements.

THE JOHNSON FAMILY SINGS. SHALL WE GATHER AT THE RIVER AND OTHER FAMILY FAVORITES. (RCA Camden CAL-63-CAS-982)

A professional singing family sing in a homey fashion such favorites as Shall We Gather at the River, Ye Must Be Born Again, Standing on the Promises, Precious Memories, etc.

OLD TIME RELIGION —The White Sisters (Word W-3545-LP)

Widely known gospel trio sings some of the oldest gospel songs, and some newer ones in this new album. Old Time Religion and Lily of the Valley are here, with Sweet By and By and Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone, but also Someday When Jesus Comes and Steps of a Good Man.



DEDICATED YOUTH CONFERENCE HELD AT CAREY

Approximately 300 young people from every section of the state attended the annual Dedicated Youth Conference held Nov. 25-26 at Carey College under sponsorship of the Training Union Department. In top left photo Kay Kees of Magee and Jimmy Hannaford of Moss Point participate in theme interpretation. Lower left photo shows Norman Rodgers,

conference director, answering questions for two girls, Kathy Box and Lynn Benci, Starkville. Top right picture shows conference ensemble singing under direction of Dr. Donald Winters, of Carey College, director. Lower right photo shows mission speakers, Warren Woolf of Home Board (left) and Louis Cobbs, Foreign Board.

HMB Holds Annual Meeting

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each person because of his intrinsic worth apart from incidental identification as to race, language, economics, nationality, or religion."

The new budget also provides for four new staff positions: associate secretaries in the departments of metropolitan missions, pioneer missions and missionary personnel, and a secretary of records processing services.

About \$7 million of the budget is earmarked for the division of missions, which includes nine of the board's 12 programs:

Establishing new churches and church-type missions, pioneer missions, rural-urban missions, metropolitan missions, language missions, Christian social ministries, work related to non-evangelicals, associational administration service and work with National Baptists (Negro Baptists).

The board's other three programs are evangelism development, chaplaincy ministries and church loans.

Board members also voted to allow the church loans division to charge the same interest rate to churches that

it pays for its borrowed money.

This will mean an immediate hike of 1/4 and possible 1 per cent over the current 6 per cent rate charged the churches, church loans director Robert H. Kilgore said.

Failure to adjust to rising commercial interest rates, he said, would force the board to use Cooperative Program revenues to cover church loans operating expenses. Currently, interest payments cover both the interest the Home Mission Board pays on borrowed money and expenses of processing the loans.

About 1,000 churches currently are on the church loans rolls, Kilgore said, representing a \$20 million investment.

New Staffers Named

Two new staff members were named at this meeting. Paul Russell Adkins, previously director of the Buckner Baptist department of aging, a unit of Buckner Baptist Benevolences in Dallas, was elected to direct the program of Christian social ministries.

This program administers Baptist center work, juvenile rehabilitation, literacy missions and migrant missions, and the possibility is being studied of adding additional responsibilities such as ex-

prisoner rehabilitation and work with alcoholics and drug addicts.

In other action involving Christian social ministries, the board boosted the disaster relief allocation from \$50,000 to \$125,000. This permanent fund was established in March 1966 to assist churches and church workers in hurricane-ravished south Louisiana.

Pat McDaniel of Detroit, currently assistant to the executive secretary of the Baptist State Convention of Michigan, was elected as the first of three new field representatives in the church loans division.

He will work with local and state leadership initiating loan applications and servicing loans in a geographic area to be assigned.

In regular appointment procedures, Mr. and Mrs. Roberto Garcia were appointed to regular missionary status. Garcia is a professor at the Mexican Baptist Bible Institute in San Antonio, Tex.

Also, Robert W. Lawson of Sumter, S. C. was transferred to the South Bend, Ind., area as a pastoral missionary.

The board reset the election of officers for a spring meeting and voted to maintain the current slate:



THE SOUTHWESTERN Seminary Alumni of Mississippi in their annual meeting elected the following officers to serve for the year 1966-67: President, Mr. Bill Fennell (left), minister of education at Calvary Baptist Church, Tupelo; Dr. Edwin McNeely, former Professor of Music at Southwestern and now living in Newton, vice president; Miss Clarice Mooney, assistant registrar at Mississippi College, Secretary-Treasurer.

The New Southern Baptist Convention

By Dr. Duke K. McCall
Louisville, Ky.

If the grocery supermarkets could figure a gambling angle to go with it, they might improve business by developing a game entitled "Name the Southern Baptist Convention." They might even call it "Name the Jolly Gray Giant."

My entry would propose to call it the "New Southern Baptist Convention."

My proposal is supported by customer research, which has long ago established the fact that adding the word "new" in the advertisements of a detergent will increase sales 20 per cent. Clearly the point in getting a new name is to make it easier to sell the Southern Baptist Convention.

The main argument against the present name is that it is geographically restrictive. My proposal would envisage letting the letters in new stand for North, East, West Southern Baptist Convention. This, of course, would be geographically expansive, leaving out only the dimension of outer space.

Enough of this foolishness! But it is necessary to stir interest in the proposed change of the name, for 50 per cent of the members of Baptist churches have greeted the entire discussion with vast apathy.

This has left the field to those who have a vested interest in getting the geographical designation out of our denominational title. These are good and deter-

mined men who are about to win a major issue by default. That does not bother me, but I am upset at the prospect of the new name being determined by a subcommittee of a subcommittee of a subcommittee on the basis of an opinion poll conducted among the unconcerned.

There is no plot. You and I, who have stayed aloof from the discussions and spent no time talking about the problem, are the culprits.

For your consideration, let me suggest the following starters:

POINT ONE: The Roman Catholic Church has been reasonably successful in spreading over the entire earth despite a geographical designation, associated not with a region but with a city. It may be desirable, but it is not necessary to change the name of the S.B.C. in order to spread throughout the United States.

POINT TWO: The real problem is not in the word "Southern" as a geographical designation but rather in the image called up by the title "Southern Baptist Convention." This image is the result of things we have said and done as a Convention and things, good and bad, said and done by the individuals identified with us. It is not necessary to go out of the deep South to find people who think the Southern Baptist Convention means: Provincial, isolationist, bigoted, theological fundamentalism, anti-intellectual, culturally de-

prived, racists, quarrelsome. No wonder leaders in pioneer areas would like to get rid of the name Southern Baptists.

However, the title Southern Baptist Convention also calls up the image: Bible centered, missionary, evangelistic, conservative, numerous, prosperous, powerful, believing in Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord, democratic, patriotic, layman oriented. It will take a number of years to pour these characteristics into the image called up by any new name adopted. During the same period of time we will also pour some of the negative characteristics into the same image because we will be the same people in the same churches acting the same way regardless of our denominational title.

When Simon became Peter and Saul became Paul, a new nature was associated with the new name. If we change our name, let us get it in the context of a new commitment which will free us from our past liabilities to become more truly Christian.

POINT THREE: Whatever adjective is used to distinguish us from our fellow Baptists in other conventions, associations, or unions, let us begin the new title with the word "Baptist." For example, "The Baptist Convention U.S.A." Let us begin by emphasizing the brand of Christians we are, that is, Baptist. Then we can add whatever limiting term seems appropriate.

I am convinced any real de-

bate will show the flaws and unwisdom of replacing the adjective Southern with any other adjective like United, General, Co-operating, Universal, Happy.



BEN J. CONNELL, 34-year-old former student director and minister of education at McElwain Church, Birmingham, Alabama, will join the Brotherhood Commission January 1 as a field service consultant. George W. Schroeder, executive secretary of the Brotherhood Commission at Memphis, Tennessee, said Mr. Connell will replace David Mashburn, who resigned in September to become minister of education at First Church Lumberton, North Carolina. Mr. Connell will serve in the Men's Department of the Brotherhood Commission but will interpret the total Brotherhood program, Schroeder said.

Protestant Giving Is Up

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was \$358.17. Five other denominations were listed with a per capita of more than \$200 in 1965. These were Evangelical Free Church of America, 46,371 members and \$243.03; Brethren in Christ, 9,572 and \$221.35; Pilgrim Holiness, 33,336 and \$214.61; Orthodox Presbyterian, 8,285 and \$205.97; and Evangelical Covenant, 65,679 and \$205.10.

Per capita giving among some of the largest denominations was: Protestant Episcopal, \$106.80; Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod, \$106.66; Disciples of Christ, \$95.91; United Presbyterian, \$95.75; American Lutheran, \$88.70; Methodist, \$61.42; and Southern Baptist, \$59.22.

The Canadian total giving of \$128,881,509 included about \$27.1 million for benevolences, and some \$101.8 million for congregational expenses.

SBC Exceeds . . .

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in Cooperative Program contributions, a total of \$18,826,165 has been given to designated, specific SBC causes during the first 11 months of 1966.

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This brings the grand total of designated and undesignated (Cooperative Program) contributions to \$40,256,774, exceeding total contributions of the entire year in 1965 by \$378,867. If past giving trends continue, grand total contributions for the year may exceed 1965 contributions by \$3 million.

For the month of November alone, Southern Baptists gave \$1,971,345 through the Cooperative Program, and an additional \$205,902 to designated causes.

The SBC budget for the year actually was met on the day before Thanksgiving, but announcement was not made until the books for November were closed on the last day of the month.

STUDENTS ARE CHALLENGED

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this has kept the spotlight. "The church desperately needs to affirm that God created sex and intends for it to find its highest fulfillment in a relationship of Christian marriage."

Other principal speakers were Dr. John H. T aylor, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, Tupelo and Dr. Jasper L. McPhail, medical missionary to India.

Named to the summer mission committee were: Mrs. Alfred Coniff, chairman, Wm. Carey College; Darby Sowell, USM; Russell Bush, Mississippi College; Linda Jones, Northwest Junior College; Noveta Smith, Blue Mountain College; Hilda Harper, MSU, and Harold B. Harris, Jr., EMJC.

Members of the nominating committee were: Garland L. Robertson, chairman, MSU; Kathy McLeilan, Holmes Junior College; Betty Sue Morgan, Southwest Junior College; Tommy Winders, Delta State; Bradley J. Pope, Mississippi College.

Baptist students were present from practically every college and school in the state.

At the business session a goal of \$7100 was adopted for the student summer missions program.

The 1967 convention will be held at the First Church in Greenville December 1-3.

The convention is sponsored annually by the Department of Student Work of the State Convention Board. Rev. Ralph B. Winders, secretary.

Fields of service for 1967 student summer missionaries were named as follows: Israel, Jordan, Philippines, Jamaica, Hawaii, Louisiana, Michigan, Missouri, Ohio, U. S. West Coast, South Dakota and Mississippi.

Total registration for convention 78.

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The Lottie Moon Christmas Offering

Is the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for Foreign Missions the world's largest single mission offering, made regularly each year? We do not know, for we do not suppose that anyone has made a study of this. We do know, of course, that it is one of the largest such offerings, since there are few denominational groups anywhere in the world which could seek to raise more than \$14,000,000 for missions in one single effort of a few days or few weeks duration.

Certainly it is one of the most important mission offerings taken in the whole world, for it provides such a large part of the financial support of the worldwide mission work being done by Southern Baptists.

This offering, which was started by the Woman's Missionary Union, and still is sponsored by that group, now usually is participated in by the entire church. The Woman's Missionary Union still precedes the offering with its annual Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions, and the whole church usually participates in this in at least some manner. Through the week of prayer and the offering, the thinking of the whole

church is focused on the world mission program of the denomination.

Through this great Christmas love offering, missionaries are supported, churches and mission buildings are erected, seminaries, schools, hospitals, printing establishments, and other missionary programs are undergirded or wholly supported, and souls are won to Christ, in more than 60 nations around the world.

Every Southern Baptist should have a worthy part in this great love offering to Christ. As large as the goal is, when it is broken down the per capita part for each Baptist is only about \$1.25. When we measure this small amount in the light of the other Christmas expenditures which most of us make, we realize that this gift for our Lord is small indeed. Of course, many Southern Baptists give far more than the \$1.25 while far too many give nothing at all. Let us change this during this Christmas season, by the participation of every Southern Baptist with a worthy part in this offering.

If we all should do this, without question this would be the largest single offering ever made to our Lord's world mission program. Moreover, it would make this the finest Christmas season that Southern Baptists ever have had.

GUEST EDITORIAL

Justice In Chicago

J. Terry Young in California Southern Baptist
A municipal court in Chicago has declared a Bap-

tist preacher guilty of littering while passing out scripture portions in Chicago's Grand Park. The complaint against Vernon C. Lyons, pastor of the Ashburn Baptist Church (Independent), read that he had "committed the offense, in that he did or caused to be done . . . Lyons will appeal his conviction. We think his conviction should be overturned.

Lyons was no more guilty of littering than the people who distribute throw-away shopping guide newspapers, foodmarket advertisements, etc. He was no more guilty of littering than those who fill our mailboxes with junk mail that few of us take time to read.

If placing a tract or scripture portion in the hand of a pedestrian or under the windshield wiper of a car is "littering" then so is cluttering the doorstep and the mailbox of a home with unwanted and unsolicited advertisements.

It would appear that Lyons is correct when he charges that the case against him is a "case of clear religious discrimination." The court has sought to limit the free exercise of his religious faith.

If the Chicago court is going to be consistent it must restrain all persons from making any unsolicited distribution of printed matter for whatever purpose. We doubt that the court wants to go that far. It seems to us that the state appellate court in Illinois has no choice but to overturn the conviction.

What is a friend? A single soul dwelling in two bodies.—Aristotle.

God tempts the wind to the shorn lamb.—Laurence Sterne.



At the recent Methodist Bicentennial in Baltimore, Bishop Richard C. Raines outlined some of the problems facing world Methodism and presented a tentative plan for a World General Conference. During the question period, a British minister asked: "In the light of the current discussions in England on union with the Anglicans, I wonder if this new plan will save British Methodism?"

The Bishop paused a moment, then replied: "Our task is to save the world. We are not called on to save the church."

The Bishop then started for his seat, but turned back to the microphone with this parting observation:

"If you throw a corpse into a coffin beside another dead person, it does not guarantee an automatic resurrection."

—Byron S. Lamson, in

The Free Methodist

Forgetting Early Maturity

We live now in an age that delights in foisting early maturity on its children. The sophisticated adult of today finds personal status in having his offspring read before he enters school. The suburban parent feels his children are good if they teach algebra in the third grade. Fifth- and sixth-grade mothers organize balls for their daughters that rival college proms. And teachers describe with pride their teaching of Euripides' "Medea" to ninth-grade classes.

Excellence in education has become strangely twisted. It seems to mean giving the child a glittering veneer of adult experiences before he has a solid foundation of understanding that would make them meaningful.

—G. Robert Carlson, "In Reading, Too, Experience Counts" (The Chicago Tribune's "Books Today")

"The outstanding and chronic weakness of Christianity in the United States is the inability of the church to secure from its people the degree of commitment to the Christian Gospel that the church ought to get."

—Franklin Clark Fry, president of the Lutheran Church in America

Calendar of Prayer

(This list is not compiled according to birthdays.)

December 12 — Ned T. Barrett, staff, Mississippi College; Mary Berner, faculty, Mississippi College.

December 13—Wilma J. Harris, Baptist Book Store; John B. Laney, Jackson County supt. of missions.

December 14—Glo Townsend, staff, Children's Village; James A. Breland, Baptist student director, Delta State College.

December 15—C. B. Greene, faculty, Clarke College; Perry Malone, staff, Blue Mountain College.

December 16 — Bryant Cummings, Baptist Building; W. F. Davis, Baptist Building; Mrs. R. M. Crisler, Baptist Building.

December 17 — Mrs. Jennie Lou Breland, faculty, Wm. Carey College; Mrs. Evelyn Gordon, housemother, Gilroy School of Nursing.

December 18—Lillian W. Heiderhoff, Baptist Book Store; Marvin Lee, Jasper superintendent of missions.

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PERSPECTIVE

Robert J. Hastings

"A GOOD WORD"

Who can measure the value of a good word, an encouraging word, a helpful word? "A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures of silver" (Proverbs 25:11). A good word can change the dullest day to one bright with sunshine. A hopeful word puts a spring in our step and a song in our hearts. Thank God for the man who has a good word for those he meets.

We can speak a good word for our friends. Barnabas did. His new friend, Saul of Tarsus, was also a new Christian. Professing Christian, that is, for the other believers distrusted him. Had he not persecuted them in the past? Wasn't he just pretending to be a Christian, so he could learn the names of other Christians and in turn arrest them? So they shunned him. They spoke evil of him. But Barnabas "took him, and brought him to the apostles, and declared unto them how he had seen the Lord" (Acts 9:27). On the basis of his recommendation, the church accepted Paul.

We can speak a good word for our loved ones. Esther, a Jewess, had just been made queen of Persia. Then her dreams were all but shattered. Her husband the king decreed that all Jews must die. They begged Esther to intercede. She sent her refusal to Mordecai, her cousin. In that moment, he could have spoken an evil word. "Why, Esther, how could you? What a disappointment you are. Never let us hear from you again." Instead, he asked, "who knoweth whether thou art come to the kingdom for such a time as this?" (Esther 4:14). He challenged her, thrilled her, encouraged her with a word of confidence and hope.

There is enough evil in the world without talking about it in every breath. Why not change evil words into good words? Treat an evil word the way a cook does apples for pies. First, pare it. Then quarter it. Cut out the core. And use plenty of sugar! "A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold. . . ."

Says Church Dead In North Korea

Dr. Helen Kim, roving ambassador of Korea and a former Korean delegate to the United Nations, declared in Berlin at the World Congress on Evangelism that the "present indications are that there is no surviving church in North Korea." Dr. Kim said that during 1950 and 1951 the Communist Party in North Korea "liquidated three million people, including all Christians" in North Korea.

We preach the gospel in more ways than we know. When a new mission family came to Ecuador, the customs agent became incensed over the actions of one official. He said, "You don't have to believe me, but you can always trust these Baptists." — Rev. and Mrs. William R. Hintze, missionaries to Ecuador.

THE UNDERSTANDING CHRIST

"I WILL NOT LEAVE YOU COMFORTLESS: I WILL COME UNTO YOU" — JOHN 14:18



The Baptist Forum

Provide Funds Or Lose Students

Dear Dr. Odle:

The Convention is History.

The vote has been taken.

But the fact remains that many blue-ribbon Baptist students are going to attend college somewhere with the assistance of a loan from somebody. It is not necessarily a matter of being slothful or a lack of determination but a matter of necessity. For instance, here is a young premed student with medical school as his goal. He knows that only those with top grades are accepted. He faces a demanding schedule of class work and long hours of laboratory work that prevents him from taking the kind of part time job that would provide substantial financial help. Back home in a small Mississippi community are parents who can only make a token payment of college expenses.

The question we now face is whether or not we will provide assistance to such Baptist students who genuinely need it. I have heard it said many times that "Mississippi Baptists have the money" but I have heard few practical suggestions as to how it can be made available on a scale large enough to be of real help. In voting against all

types of Federal financial assistance to individuals as well as institutions was the convention constituency voting for giving greater support from its own resources? I would hope that it is not the feeling that — we have now successfully squelched a threat and go back to our routine without energetically searching for ways to solve the real financial problems of Christian Education.

The position could be taken that our schools should shrink to fulfill the single role of preparing those entering the Gospel ministry. But we need to be reminded that whether we like it or not the influence of the minister in many fields is a diminishing one. The layman is coming to the forefront. Even now we have far too few skilled, dedicated Baptist laymen in political, business and professional circles.

I wish to challenge the Baptist men of means and influence to lead the way in making funds available to those worthy students seeking an education in Baptist institutions.

Charles Gentry
Pastor,
Morrison Heights Baptist Church
Clinton, Miss.

No man doth think others will be better to him than he is to them.—Benjamin Whichcote.

"BRAILLE BAPTIST" ADDS NEW SERVICE

NASHVILLE—A new service for the sightless has been added to the December issue of "The Braille Baptist."

This issue has outlines of and Scripture references for the Sunday School lessons for December in the new Life and Work Curriculum.

Regular features in "The Braille Baptist" are Sunday School lessons in the Uniform Series and Training Union programs for adults and young people plus a variety of articles selected from Southern Baptist periodicals. Daily Bible readings and the missionary prayer calendar are included.

"The Braille Baptist" (in grades 1 and 2 Braille) and "Intermediate Braille Baptist" (grade 2 Braille) are published monthly by the Sunday School Board.

PAUL BLANSHARD ON VATICAN II

by Paul Blanshard (Beacon, 371 pp., \$3.95)

What actually happened at the Roman Catholic Vatican Council II? Did the Roman Church move as far from its historical positions as some people would have us believe? Paul Blanshard long has been a student of Roman Catholicism, and perhaps is able to interpret its actions, as well as any modern critic. He attended the second and fourth sessions of the council, and carefully studied all of the documents of the others. He feels that the council made real progress in some areas, but did almost nothing in others. After chapters on the meaning of the council, and studies of the two popes who were involved, the author considers each of the main issues of the conference. Religious liberty, the Jews, Christian Unity, Mary, Scripture, Tradition, Sex, Celibacy, Marriage, Birth Control, the Miraculous Underworld, and Church and State are all given careful consideration. When one has carefully read this book he will have a clear concept of just what the Council did and did not do.

PULPIT IN THE SHADOWS

by Freddie Gage with Stan Redding (Prentice-Hall, 182 pp., \$3.95)

Is the gospel the power of God unto salvation? Can Christ remake a Satan possessed life? The answer is given in these pages, in the life story of a popular and widely used Southern Baptist evangelist. Freddie Gage grew up in the streets of Houston, in an area known as Hell's Kitchen. He was known as Freddie the Cat, and was leader of a tough street gang before he reached his mid-teens. A Houston detective warned him that if he continued to go on in the way he was headed, he would not live to be 21. Theft, sex, narcotics and crime all were part of his life, and he was "knocking down \$100.00 per week when he was 13." But God brought a girl into his life, and later she along with his dad who now had been saved, led him to a church where he met Jesus Christ face to face. The change in his life, the call of God to preach, the struggle for an education, the evangelistic ministry, the continued burden for other street-gang kids, and the birth of "Teen Liberators" — a Christian rehabilitation center for troubled youth, are all vividly told in these pages.

THE MORMON ESTABLISHMENT

by Wallace Turner (Houghton Mifflin, 243 pp., \$6.00)

The story of how "this uniquely American religion" rules the lives of two and one half million Americans, and many other people around the world. An objective study by a non-Mormon, of the history, organization, doctrine, practices and people of the Mormons, or Latter Day Saints, as they prefer to be called. Without either condemning or defending this American born religious group, the author probes into

the strength and weakness of Mormonism, the strange power of the religion over its constituents, and its authoritarian government. The author has talked with many of the leaders, with many former Mormons who have left the faith, and with non-Mormons whose lives are touched by the group. Special attention is given to the Polygamy doctrine, the anti-Negro doctrine, and the political activity.

CHRISTIAN BELIEFS AND ANTI-SEMITISM

by Charles Y. Glock and Rodney Stark (Harper and Row, 266 plus pages, \$6.50)

The controversial report of a survey made by two professors for the University of California Survey Research Center. It is the first of seven volumes on related subjects. A sample of the survey questionnaire is included in the book. The survey was made of a cross section of people in the San Francisco Bay area, with a smaller sample of people across the nation. Questions deal with many areas of belief and religious life, but specifically seek to find attitudes toward the Jew. The number of Southern Baptists included in the survey evidently was 79, with only the Disciples of Christ having a smaller number (50). Much larger groups of most denominations were included. The survey reveals that Southern Baptists are perhaps the most orthodox in their beliefs, but also classes them as the most "anti-semitic." While it is difficult to interpret the tables as to why Southern Baptists are classified as high in anti-semitism, it appears to be at least in part because they believe that the Jewish religion will not save the Jews, but that they must come to Christ to be saved. This, of course, is perfectly in line with New Testament teaching. It is not anti-semitism, however, to believe that a Jew needs to be saved. Southern Baptists want to see the Jew saved because they love him, as they do other lost people. The book is for the scholar and for research and is not for popular reading.

HYMNS FOR YOUTH

compiled and edited by John E.



NOW LET'S ALL SING "BRING YE ALL THE TITHES INTO THE WAREHOUSE"!!

Hamersma, Wilma A. Vander Baan, and Albertha Bratt, and illustrated by Edgar Boeve (The National Union of Christian Schools and William B. Eerdmans Publishing Company, 264 pp.)

This is a lovely new book of hymns. The Preface states that the lyrics were selected for meaningful content, Biblical soundness, and clarity of expression. The songs come from many nations and cover centuries of time. The illustrations are based on religious symbols.

SUKI AND THE OLD UMBRELLA

by Joyce Blackburn (Zondervan, \$2.95)

Many children loved the book, "Suki and the Invisible Peacock." Now here is another book by the same author. If it hadn't rained — Suki might not have borrowed an umbrella. And if Suki hadn't borrowed an umbrella, she might not have met a new visible friend, from whom she learned something very important. (Stephanie Clayton did the intriguing illustrations.)

THE THINKING BOOK

by Melva Cook, with pictures by William Dugan (Broadman, \$1.35)

Here is a bright, colorful book for small boys and girls. Without preaching, it leads children to adventures in thinking the right thoughts.

BARRY AT CHURCH

by Eugene Chamberlain, with pictures by Dorothy Teichman (Broadman, \$1.35)

This new picture book for Beginners contains two stories, "Getting Ready for Church" and "Barry at Church." The small child will identify with Barry and see himself getting ready for church.

THINK ON THESE THINGS

by Joyce Hifler (Doubleday, 116 pp.)

This collection of columns originally appeared in the Tulsa Daily World. Each group of meditations is related to a verse of Scripture. The little book is bound in white, with gold lettering.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON— REDEMPTION THROUGH SUFFERING

By Clifton J. Allen
Isaiah 52:13 to 53:12
Isaiah's concept of the Suffering Servant

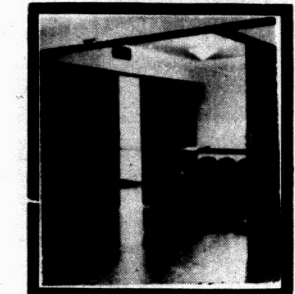
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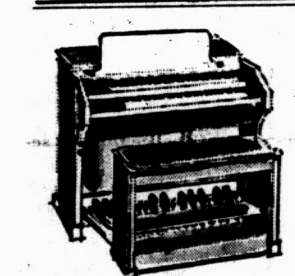


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fering Servant had a twofold relevance. The first related to the nation of Judah during the time of the Exile: the experience of the nation was personalized in terms of suffering and mission and hope. But the prophet's concept had a much higher relevance. It pointed to the Messiah, who would come in fulfillment of God's promise for the redemption of his people.

The Lesson Explained
We may well consider chapter 53 in its entirety. The prophet speaks as though the sufferings of the Servant are already a completed fact.

THE SUFFERING SERVANT (vv. 1-4)

The prophet describes the way the world would receive and regard the Suffering Servant. God's saving activity would be hard to believe. The arm of the Lord or the power of God would accomplish salvation. The Servant, like "a root out of a dry ground," would not be accounted for by his environment. He would be despised and rejected. Sorrow and grief would be his portion. Men would, as it were, hide their faces from him because of their scorn or their indifference or their dread. And thus it was.

Verse 4 suggests the reason for his unattractiveness. He bore our griefs and sorrows; he bore our shame and ugliness. We consider him stricken down and smitten of God. But actually his affliction was the disease of our sin.

THE VICARIOUS SACRIFICE (vv. 5-9)

The prophet portrays in vivid terms the Servant's suffering for the sins of men. He describes these sufferings as already having taken place. The wounds and bruises and chastisement and stripes were made necessary by our transgressions and iniquities; they were for our peace and our

healing. All men have followed the way of their own sinful purposes and "turned every one to his own way." But God in sovereign grace "laid on him the iniquity of us all." The Messiah suffered as our substitute.

This vicarious sacrifice was made voluntarily by the Suffering Servant. There was no protest or complaint on his part. Against those who oppressed him, he made no charge. He was no victim, as the world has thought; he was the divine propitiation. Though he had never done wrong, either through violence or deceit, his death was in the company of the wicked. He had simply given himself for the transgressions of all men.

THE VICTORIOUS REDEMPTION (vv. 10-12)

The suffering of Jehovah's Servant must be understood as the execution of God's will. "It pleased the Lord to bruise him." God knew the outcome. And the Messiah himself knew that he was pleasing the Lord and achieving a victorious redemption. He did not begrudge giving his life. He could see the travail of his soul, and he was satisfied. His vicarious sacrifice in bearing the iniquities of men would bring justification and salvation to unnumbered multitudes who would receive his saving grace.

Truths to Live By

God is acquainted with suffering.—God could not be the God of love and the God of redemption without suffering. He could not be the Holy One without suffering because of man's rebellion and disobedience. He could not be the God of comfort without having experienced the pangs of grief and the piercing sting of sorrow. Since suffering is a part of the experience of God, we can know that suffering must be a part of being created in his image.

Our redemption is God's costliest gift.—In the fullness of time, God sent forth his Son to be the propitiation for

the sins of men. He became our ransom. His precious blood was shed that we might receive the forgiveness of sins. Thus God paid the greatest ransom in order that he might offer the costliest gift. None other was good enough, than Christ the Son of God, to pay the price of sin.

Redemption is a divine achievement.—The suffering of the Messiah was not his defeat but his victory.

Sunday Reports

Sunday School Attendance Training Union Attendance Additions To The Church

December 4, 1967	
Aberdeen, First	352 151
Belmont, First	303 96 2
Biloxi, First	663 449 6
Brandon, First	447 160
Brookhaven, First	723 210 4
Brookhaven, Central	290 73
Bruce, First	361 144
Cleveland	120 80
Columbia, Chapel	729 254
Columbus	335 151
Antioch	405 214 4
Fairview	794 238 3
First	531 142 1
Crystal Springs, 1st	390 127
Forest	194 135 1
Fulton, Trinity	534 191
Grenada	401 180 29
Emmanuel	849 232 2
Gulfport, First	348 111 2
Grace, Grace Mem.	
Hattiesburg	
Central	373 199
38th Avenue	261 132 2
Highland	139 90
Sunrise	434 195
Houston, First	390 146
Main	329 126
Parkway	61 26
Luka	311 152
Jackson	
Woods	1101 395 2
Briarwood Drive	305 156
Broadmoor	1585 106 4
Creswood	270 124 1
Daniel Memorial	612 204
First	1362 350 1
Highland	374 175
Hillcrest	554 200 2
McLaurin Hgts	400 187
Midway	511 185 7
Lakeview Man	15
Morrison Hgts	474 187 4
Oak Forest	424 219 4
Forest	1018 421 3
Park Hill	236 146
Robinson St.	305 137
Southside	382 177
Van Winkle	562 253
West Jackson	353 164
Woodville Hgts	240 99
Kosciusko	
Parkway	195 96
First	484 167
Main	471 152
Chapel	13 15
Laurel	
First	456 161 2
Magnolia St.	349 160 1
Missions	127
Trinity	158 101 7
Long Beach, First	538 44 4
Main	499 18
Mission	39 26
Lyon	194 73
McCumb	
Locust St.	177 99 1
Navilla	224 136
South	252 79 2
Meridian	
Collinsville	100 65
Fifteenth Avenue	446 202
Oakland Hgts	381 151 3
Poplar Springs Dr	486 147 1
Mt. Creek (Rankin)	89 7
Piedmont, First	715 253
Main	671
G.C. Nursing Home	12
Marlin Bluff	224 106
Pearson	375 171
Petal-Harvey	291 80
Memorial Drive	33 16
Pontotoc, W. Hgts	221 85
Pontotoc, First	469 177
Quitman, First	318 140
Ruth	42 23
Savannah	183 130
Sardis (Copiah)	60 22
Starkville, First	986 484 2
Sunshine (Rankin)	180 85
Calvary	582 237
West Jackson St.	260 127
Vicksburg	341 108
Bowman Avenue	436 235 3
Immanuel	182 74 2
Trinity	183 92
Walnut Grove	118 62 1
West Point, First	378 202 2
Woodville	315 87
November 27, 1966	
Hattiesburg, Sunrise	190 72
Picayune, First	547 189 1
Main	322
Mission	25
Sardis (Copiah)	76 35

Adult and Young People's Training Union Study Themes

FIRST QUARTER, 1967	
YOUNG PEOPLE	
Life and Work Curriculum	Christian Training Curriculum
Learning from Men Who Told the Story How to Pray	Accepting the Responsibilities of Discipleship
Our Response to the Lordship of Christ (undated unit)	The Place of Hymns in Church Life
	Pressures on the Campus (undated unit)
ADULT	
These Shared the Faith	Forming a Personal Theology
Key Concepts in the Redemption Story	How to Get Along with People
Marks of a New Testament Church	How to use the Hymnal
Developing Skills in Learning (undated unit)	

Training Union Pins Available

Three Training Union pins are now available from the Baptist Book Store. These are specifically for those who are enrolled in the various phases of Training Union in a church. Dr. Philip B. Harris of the Baptist Sunday School Board has suggested the following promotional suggestions for using these new pins.

- I. Pin one can be used to stimulate your New Member Orientation Program in the following manner:
 1. Given to the new church member when he is enrolled in the instruction offered by the church for New Church Member Orientation.
 2. Given along with the certificate to the member upon completion of the study of the curriculum materials used in the church's New Member Orientation Program.
 3. Given to those who complete requirements for study course credit of The New Member Orientation Manual.
- II. Pin two can be given in recognition of Church Member Training in the following ways:
 1. Completion of study course requirements for one of the Training Union Leadership Manuals. This could include Juniors, Intermediates, and Young People as well as adults and leaders.
 2. Enrolling in Church Member Training (Training Union as we have known it) during a special emphasis to reach and enroll additional church members in training activities.
 3. Members of a union who have lead in plans to increase interests, and attendance as well as inspiring the quality of training being done.
 4. All members of standard unions during the church year.
- III. Pin three can be used to focus attention on the churches efforts to provide leader training as follows:
 1. To be given to all who are enrolled in potential basic and specialized leader training each time the opportunity is offered by the church.
 2. To be given to all those who complete the study of one or more sections outlined in the Broadman leaders training materials, available at the Baptist Book Store.

Publications Available From Broadman Films

NASHVILLE — Two yearly publications designed to help church leaders select audio-visuals are now available from Broadman Films.

They are "The Church Audio-Visual Education Guide, 1966-67," which relates Broadman audio-visuals to the programs of the church; and the "Broadman Audio-Visual Catalog, 1966-67," which gives information about all available Broadman motion pictures, filmstrips and slide sets.

The guide recommends audio-visuals for use in activities such as Youth Week and Christian Home Week; programmed activities of the Sunday School, Training Union, WMU, Brotherhood, and Music Ministry; plus other activities and special emphases.

All audio-visuals listed in "The Church Audio-Visual Education Guide, 1966-67" and "Broadman Audio-Visual Catalog, 1966-67" are available to churches at an average 37 percent discount through the Church Audio-Visual Education Plan.

For information on the CAVE Plan — plus copies of the two annual publications — write: Broadman Films, Baptist Sunday School Board, 157 Ninth Ave., N., Nashville, Tenn. 37203.



REV. THOMPSON PITTS, left, pastor of Morgan Chapel Church, Oktibbeha County, expresses appreciation to Boone Jackson, right. Mr. Jackson, age 94, recently gave a new communion table (pictured) to the Morgan Chapel Church.



Rev. Edward Griffin

Accepts Church In Bogalusa

After serving in two pastorates in Mississippi for almost ten years Rev. Edward Griffin has accepted the pastorate of Calvary Church, Bogalusa, Louisiana. The last seven years he served at Roseland Park Church, Picayune.

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BMC To Present Japanese Play

Miss Feriel Forbus, Director of the Department of Speech of Blue Mountain College, has announced that a Japanese Christmas Play, "The Gift of Tenjin" by John D. Tumpane, will be presented in Garrett Auditorium at 8 p. m. on December 8.

"The Gift of Tenjin" is one of the most beautiful Christmas plays in its Oriental delicacy and poignant climax.

All college and high school students will be admitted for 50c each, and all adults will pay a fee of 75c each.

Roseland Park, there have been over 457 additions to the church with 218 by baptism. The church budget increased from \$10,000 to more than \$36,000. Mission giving increased over 400% with property value going from \$96,000 to \$250,000 with the addition of a new educational building and additional property.

His new address is 1716 Thomas Blvd., Bogalusa, La.

Music For The 1967 Junior Festival

The Planning Committee for the 1967 State Junior Festival, Paul Padgett, Co-ordinator, in cooperation with the Church Music Department, suggests the music for the Junior Festival scheduled for Saturday, April 1, Coliseum, Jackson.

"O Saviour Sweet, O Saviour Kind" by Bach, Broadman Press, (JF 046), also (Junior Musician, First Quarter, '67)

"All Night, All Day" Arr. McNair, Broadman Press (JF 040), also (Junior Musician, Third Quarter, '66)

"Jesus, Tender Shepherd" by Dortch, Boston Music Company

"Deepen My Music, O Lord" by Bass, Broadman Press, (JF 006), also (Junior Musician, First Quarter, '64)

"Lovely Appear" by Gounod, Broadman Press, (JF 036), also (Junior Musician, Second Quarter, '66)

"Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven" by Butler, Broadman Press, (JF 034), also (Junior Musician, First Quarter, '66)

Hymn: "Fairest Lord Jesus" (three stanzas)

Titles may be purchased at Baptist Book Store, Jackson.

Brotherhood Director

The director of the church Brotherhood program has the responsibility of coordinating the work of the three units comprising the church Brotherhood program, Baptist Men, Baptist Young Men, and Royal Ambassadors.

The director represents the Brotherhood at all church council meetings. He will coordinate the programming, of all three units, with the major emphasis on the church, association, and Southern Baptist programs. He will publicize and promote the Brotherhood Council meetings.



Concord (Yazoo) Calls Pastor

Rev. Hugh Poole has accepted the pastorate of Concord Church, Yazoo City. He and his wife and sons, Larry and Brad, are pictured above.

Mr. Poole, a graduate of Clarke College, is a senior at Mississippi College. Mrs. Poole is the former Ruby Alice Kennedy of Picayune.

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Church Decline Noted In Netherlands

ROTTERDAM (EP) — The percentage of the Netherlands' population having no church affiliation has almost doubled in the past six years, a survey reported.

This was the result of a recent study conducted by a Rotterdam public opinion institute, published recently. At the time of the last census in 1960, 19 per cent of the total Dutch population declared that they were not church members.

Beacon St. Calls Pastor

Rev. H. S. Rogers, pastor of Gore Springs Church, has resigned to accept the pastorate of Beacon Street Church, Philadelphia. He and his family moved on the new field November 22.

Since Mr. Rogers became pastor of Gore Springs in October, 1965, the educational building of the church has been enlarged, a cooling and heating unit installed, and choir robes purchased. Twenty-seven members have been added, and one man licensed to preach.

Rev. and Mrs. Rogers have three children, Linda Joyce, who teaches art in Jacksonville, Florida; Wanda Lee, a junior at MSCW, and David Wayne, in junior high school. Mr. Rogers was formerly pastor of Freeny Church, Carthage.

Temple WMU Ladies Pay Tribute To Mrs. Milner

Following the recent death of Mrs. Perrie Ford Milner, the Woman's Missionary Union of Temple Church, Jackson, adopted a resolution of respect "in memory of her wonderful Christian life." "We will miss her and her enthusiastic faith," the resolution stated, "and we wish that our lives might in some fashion be like hers, as we journey toward that Better Land."

BAHAMIAN ELECTED OBU BSU HEAD

SHAWNEE, Okla. (BP) — A Bahamian who sums up his impressions of America and its people as "wonderful," has become the first international student to serve as president of the Oklahoma Baptist University Baptist Student Union organization.

Melvin Rahming, a 23-year-old senior from Nassau in the Bahamas, is the first Negro to serve as president of the Baptist Student Union at Oklahoma Baptist University.

In Nashville, the head of the department of student work for the Baptist Sunday School Board, David K. Alexander, said it was the first time to his knowledge that a Negro has been elected president of a Baptist Student Union organization among Southern Baptists, and particularly on a Baptist campus.

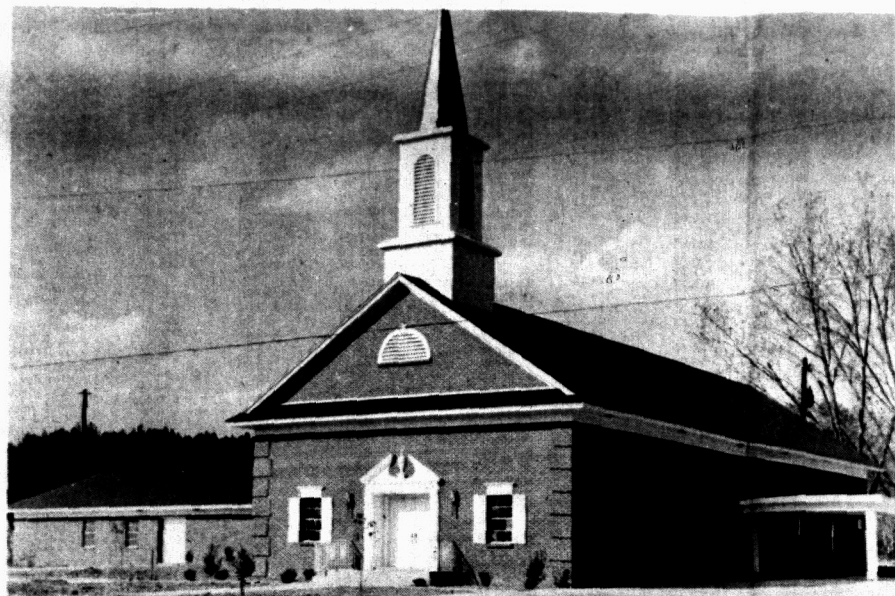
Rahming first heard about Oklahoma Baptist University two summers ago when an Oklahoma Baptist University student, Vicki Carden of Fort Worth, visited a missionary family in Nassau.

Deciding to attend college and get his degree in the United States, Rahming wrote to several schools but received word he was too late to enroll for the fall semester. Oklahoma Baptist University (OBU), however, responded with application forms and accepted him.

Young Church Organist Gives Recital

Melita Ann Shoemaker, age 12, organist at First Church, Clara, entertained 120 guests in varied selections at her organ and piano recital on a recent Sunday.

She was presented in her first organ and piano recital by her teacher, Mrs. Jack Carter, who is also her aunt. Melita played 21 selections. There were four piano solos; four organ solos; two piano duets (Mrs. Carter and Melita); four organ and piano duets (Melita, organist, and Mrs. Carter, pianist); two piano and flute numbers (Karen Dossier, flutist; piano



Chunky Church To Dedicate New Plant

The homecoming and dedication services for the new church plant of the Chunky Church will be held at its new location on December 11. The red brick building consisting of 7,000 square feet is completely air conditioned and heated. Space is provided for all phases of the church program including a Fellowship Hall and kitchen equipped with dishwasher, disposal, double oven, cooking surface, and refrigerator.

The sanctuary, with a seating capacity of approximately 225 is beautifully decorated in tones of blue in the carpet, upholstery, and baptistry drape. The equipment, including a Baldwin organ, chimes, and choir chairs, is new. The pulpit furniture has been placed in memory of Rev. Paul Boothe, a former pastor who died while serving the church under whose leadership the building program was begun.

The building and concrete parking area of 1,300 square feet was constructed by O. R. Tatum Concrete Company at an approximate cost of \$72,500.00. The grounds have been completely landscaped by Morgan Nursery and Plant Farm.

The program for the day will begin with Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. and the regular worship service at 11 a. m.

Lunch will be served by the church at noon and the dedication program will begin at 2 p. m.

"All former members and

friends of the Chunky Church are invited to attend and participate in the services on this occasion," states Rev. Carlton Jones, pastor.

ITALIANS, MISSIONARIES, EXAMINE WORK TOGETHER

Italian Baptist leaders, Southern Baptist missionaries in Italy, and Dr. John D. Hughey, secretary for Europe and the Middle East for the Foreign Mission Board, recently met at the Baptist theological seminary at Rivoli (near Turin) to exchange ideas and make plans.

A nationwide Baptist evangelistic crusade scheduled for 1968 was among the subjects which claimed their attention. They also discussed the role of the missionary as he works with the Italian Baptist Union, the increasing financial responsibility of the Union, the emerging autonomy of local congregations, intercommunication among Baptists in the coordination and promotion of their total witness, and religious education opportunities in the churches and the denomination.

"SING ALONG" SESSION A HIT WITH BRAZILIANS

"Sing along with Kay" is a popular new activity at the Baptist student center in Recife, Brazil. Brazilian students and professional men and women who speak fluent English and enjoy American songs get together regularly with Southern Baptist Missionary Journeyman Kay Andrews for song sessions.

"We have a ball together, even if I can't carry a tune," says Kay. "They're very interested in Negro spirituals,

so my being from the Deep South (Indianola, Miss.) is an advantage. Most of them are either Roman Catholics or have no religious affiliation. Maybe our meeting together will be an avenue for confronting them with the gospel of Christ."

Kay, a 1966 graduate of Baylor University, Waco, Tex., began a two-year assignment in Recife this fall. Her basic job is assisting in a Baptist good will center.

DEVOTIONAL

The Christian Goal

By James L. Terpo, Supt. of Missions, Panola County
Philippians 3:13-21

"If we could first know where we are, and whither we are tending, we could better judge what to do and how to do it." Hardly any of us need to be reminded of the importance of these words spoken by Abraham Lincoln over a century ago. We live in such a rapidly changing world where there is a surge for recognition in worldly achievement, a mad desire for pleasure, a craving for financial security, and the desire just to be somebody. But to throw oneself into the swelling current of such desires can only prove to be folly. The rapid stream dashing noisily on its way would often drown out the sweet urge of the Spirit in our lives, if we would let it be so. Not so with Paul, the man with scars from the lashes across his back, the hardships of many long years, and the galling chains of the Roman prison. His one goal in life was to be like Jesus.

There were so many rich and wonderful experiences in the life of Paul for which he expressed gratitude. He could have boasted about his place in the plan and purpose of Christ. But Paul was never one to feel proud over his past achievements. In fact, it was his desire to press on toward the goal lest he be hindered by looking back to those things behind him. He knew where he had been, where he was, and where he was going.

The Christian life must always have purpose if it is to be meaningful. Eternity, as wonderful as it will be, must not be the only objective for the child of God. Life with its problems and difficulties must be faced in a challenging way if we would move onward and upward.

I often think of the mountain climber in his effort to conquer the steep slopes of the mountain and reach the summit. Many times his goal will be clothed in the clouds and he will be unable to see the goal. But he is urged to go on because others have climbed before him. He is always alert to the dangers that lurk around him, the falling rock, the bad footing, and he must never look back or below lest fear possess him and all his courage flee. Upward he climbs with caution and patience until at last he reaches the summit.

The Christian goal is somewhat similar to that of the mountain climber. We must be alert, cautious, patient, and willing to let the Holy Spirit make our goal a reality. And surely this goal should be the same with all of us, to be more like Jesus. For the time will come when each and every one of us will receive our summons to come up higher. Naturally, this is our ultimate goal. But what joy it will be to come to that blessed hour knowing that we have kept our eyes on the goal. So until then, press on; press on!



Rev. Michael Dunaway

Bowmar Avenue Ordains Minister

In Bowmar Avenue Church, Vicksburg, Michael Dunaway was ordained to the ministry, on a recent date.

A son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Dunaway of the Silver Creek community near Magnolia, and married to the former Carolyn Holmes of Tyler, Texas, Mr. Dunaway is a student at Clarke College. He serves as pastor of Chappell Hill Church, Gilbertown, Alabama.

Rev. Robert L. Jones, pastor of Silver Creek Church, and former pastor of Dunaway's, gave the charge to the candidate. Rev. Bob Rushing, blind ordained minister, gave the ordination prayer. The charge to the churches was given by Dr. John G. McCall, pastor of First Church, Vicksburg.

The laying on of the hands was led by Rev. Gwin T. Turner, pastor of Bowmar Avenue Church, followed by other ministers, and deacons.

Her other activities have included directing a Thanksgiving program with a cast of 24 MKs (missionary kids), ages four to 16. (Missionaries in Recife observed Thanksgiving with a picnic in mid-November.)

Kay says that during a recent trip to a nearby city she thought the houses looked more "Western" than those in Recife. "There was a certain familiarity about them," she

explains. "I had never before experienced this in Recife, but as we drove back into Recife later that night I felt the same 'warmth' coming from the houses lining our route."

"It finally dawned on me that for the first time I was seeing them as homes instead of as structures architecturally different from those to which I was accustomed. I was realizing that here in-

deed were places where people love, laugh, cry, quarrel, sing, are born, and die—just like in Indianola, Miss., or Waco, Tex.

"And so Brazil becomes home to me."

O Thou who hast given so much to us, give us one thing more, a grateful heart; for Christ's sake. — George Herbert.



Greenfield, Greenville, Breaks Ground

Pictured above are members of the Building Committee at a groundbreaking ceremony held November 6 at Greenfield Church, Greenville. L. to R., Howard Melton, builder, Ray Hamilton, Mrs. E. C. McDaniel, Paul Brenner, Curtis Clanton, Bob Morgan, chairman, and Rev. L. H. McCullough, pastor. Not pictured Mrs. Sidney Majure. Until two years ago the church was known as Greenfield Mission and was sponsored by First Church of Greenville. Since becoming a church there have been 201 additions under the leadership of Mr. McCullough. This growth has made it necessary to expand facilities to three times the present size. The building now under construction is expected to be finished in March of next year and will cost approximately \$50,000. Funds were made available through the Church Building and Savings Association of Jackson.

Beacon Church Calls Pastor

Beacon Church, Route 6, Hattiesburg, has called Rev. Walter Reeder as pastor. Mr. Reeder formerly served Sweet Home Church, Opp, Alabama, as pastor. Mrs. Reeder is the former Shirley Craft of Dothan, Ala.

Gulf Coast BSU Sets \$6600 Goal

The executive committee of the Baptist Student Unions of the Mississippi Gulf Coast Junior College District has set a minimum goal of \$6600 for its 1967 budget. The Mississippi Baptist Convention, through its Department of Student Work, will provide some of the necessary financial support. Sixteen local Southern Baptist churches provide additional support.

Supporting churches in the George County Association are: Agricola; First, Lucedale; and Rocky Creek. Gulf Coast Association churches are: Bayou View; First, Biloxi; First, Gulfport; First, Wiggins; Grace Memorial; Handsboro; New Hope; Perkinston; and Trinity. In the Jackson County Association are: First, Moss Point; First, Pascagoula; and Red Creek Union. The Gulf Coast Association has budgeted \$300 for direct missions to the BSU in 1967.

The committee has stated that additional support is needed in 1967. It is urging

that other churches or individuals add support of the BSU to their mission activities.

Bennie T. Warren directs BSU programs on the three junior college campuses: Perkinston, Jefferson Davis, and Jackson County. He states that more than 600 Baptist students are enrolled on the three campuses.

Future J-men, beware of those job descriptions. Mine read: "STUDENT WORKER, Maracaibo, Venezuela." The true picture: dishwasher, shrimp-peeler, playmate for MKs and friends, RA worker, student of Spanish, volleyball player, sun worshiper, jump-rope twirler, foursquare expert, movie-goer, lover of "Forty-two," reader of Time and digester of news, chauffeur, basketball fiend, friend of dog, cat, parrot, MK, assorted-sized people, and mankind in general—and, oh, yes, in between I work at the Centro Bautista. —E. Henry Hawkins, missionary journeyman in Venezuela.

Names In The News

Mr. and Mrs. David W. Morgan, missionaries to Hong Kong, returned to the States November 6 (their address: 663 Carol Marie Drive, Baton Rouge, La.). Born in Baton Rouge, he lived there and in Biloxi, Miss., while growing up; she, the former Dotie Primeaux, was born and reared in Cameron, La. At the time of their missionary appointment in 1959 he was pastor of South McComb Baptist Church, McComb, Miss.

Rev. and Mrs. Herman P. Hayes, missionaries stationed in Saigon, Vietnam, may be addressed, Baptist Mission, APO San Francisco, Calif., 96243. Born near Houghton, La., he lived there and in Bossier City, La., while growing up; she, the former Dotie Primeaux, was born and reared in Cameron, La. At the time of their missionary appointment in 1959 he was pastor of South McComb Baptist Church, McComb, Miss.



IN PICTURE at left is seen Mrs. Ludie Griffin (seated) as she was in 1913, accompanied by a cousin, Mrs. Powell, of Hattiesburg, now deceased. Photo at right is Mrs. Griffin today.



REQUEST FOR CREDITS BRINGS INFORMATION TO CLARKE

A few weeks ago a letter came to Dean-Registrar J. Clifford Watson of Clarke College, requesting credits for work done at Clarke in the years of 1910 to 1913. It was from Mrs. Ludie Chatham Griffin, Memphis.

When the attention of the

Public Relations office was called to this unusual matter, a letter was written to Mrs. Griffin. In her reply, Mrs. Griffin gave some interesting bits of information. After leaving Clarke over 53 years ago, she had taught for several years; and she needed her credits to meet requirements of the Memphis public school system in order to qualify as a substitute teacher.

She lived near the Clarke College campus while in school there. Her father was Rev. J. S. Chatham. Rev. S. B. Cumpepper was president of the school. She remembers as teachers Professor Parkinson, Professor (M. F.) Bush, Miss McGee and Mrs. Richardson. After leaving Clarke, she taught about five years and then married Rev. E. C. Evans. Nine years later, her husband died, leaving her with "two sweet little girls."

She worked in Meridian and New Orleans, then moved to Memphis in 1929, where she has lived since. She married Mr. Griffin in 1935. Her letterhead mentions "Hand Guided Quilting Draperies and Spreads," a trade in which she has supported herself for some time.

Grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot alter, the courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference.—Quoted in PRAYERS FOR PATIENTS (Revell)



1st. Boyle, To Dedicate Building

FIRST CHURCH, BOYLE will have Dedication Day for its new building on December 11. The \$67,000 new building has 5,933 square feet of floor space. Rev. Billy Burney, pastor, said that the new sanctuary has a seating capacity of 360. Also there will be enough space to house the nursery, beginners, young people, five adult classes, two offices and a choir room. All pastors, former members and friends are invited to attend the dedication service on December 11.